

***Listing of the Claims***

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application.

1. (Previously presented) A governor device comprising:
  - a first lever interlockingly connected to a rotary speed setting lever;
  - a second lever pivotally supported by the first lever; and
  - a third lever pivotally supported by the second lever, its rotation amount regulated by the second lever and interlocked with a governor weight, characterized in that
    - an elastic member is provided between the first lever and the second lever so as to bias the levers for decreasing a rotary speed of an engine for a fixed amount at a time of low speed rotation, and
    - a set load changing means for the elastic member is attached to the first lever near the elastic member.
2. (Original) A governor device as set forth in claim 1, wherein
  - a bracket for the elastic member at the side of the first lever is constructed by an elastic plate,
  - the elastic plate touches an outer peripheral surface of an adjusting shaft, and
  - a distance between the outer peripheral surface of the adjusting shaft and an axis is changed by stages.
3. (Original) A governor device as set forth in claim 2, wherein

a rotation limiting member is projected from one of ends of the adjusting shaft,  
and

a projection which can touch the rotation limiting member is provided on a plate  
supporting the adjusting shaft.

4. (Original) A governor device as set forth in claim 2, wherein an engaging part  
for an adjusting operation means is formed on one of sides of the adjusting shaft.

5. (Original) A governor device as set forth in claim 2, wherein the elastic member  
and the adjusting shaft are provided oppositely to a pivotal support part of the first lever  
and the second lever.

6. (Previously presented) A governor device as set forth in claim 1, wherein the  
governor weight acts directly on the third lever.

7. (Previously presented) A governor device as set forth in claim 1, wherein the  
governor device is enclosed in a crankcase comprising an opening that allows adjustment  
of the set load changing means.